(b) The capacity of DMS, for filling toned milk in poly-packs is 42,000 litres in 55,000 pouches per day.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Spillage on this account is negligible.

(e) Some leaky packets come out of the machines mainly due to unevenness in the poly-pack film and fluctuations in electrical voltage.

(f) In addition to attempts for development of leak-proof film by manufacturers, constant checks are made to remove all leakly pouches during production and handling. Attempts are also made to minimise voltage fluctuations. Full supply of toned milk in poly-packs will be possible as and when all the bottling plants which outlive their life, are replaced by poly-packing machines.

Symposium on Urban Land Policy and Finance

1296. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a symposium on Urban Land Policy and Finance was organised in Delhi in February, 1987;

(b) if so, what are the salient features of the suggestions and recommendations made in the symposium;

(c) whether there is any proposal under consideration of Government to establish a National Housing Bank to facilitate speedy urban development; and

(d) if so, what are the details in this regard and what is the reaction of Government towards various suggestions and recommendations made in the symposium on Urban Land Policy and Finance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The recommendations of the symposium have not been received.

Consumers' Movement and Integrated Tribal Development Plan

1297. SHRI KAPIL VERMA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the steps Government are taking to protect the interests of consumers and to revolutionise the consumers' movement in the country; and

(b) the steps government are taking to ensure that the unscrupulous elements do not take advantage of the Government sponsored, Integrated Tribal Development plan in States where it is being enforced?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) and (b) Concern for the consumers is included in item No. 18 of the Twenty Point Programme-1986. The policy of the Government is to promote broad based responsible and responsive consumer movement throughout the country. Various measures taken by the Government for this purpose include holding of national, regional and state level seminars; use of TV|AIR and other media to create consumers' awareness; publishing of brochure|literature on consumer protection; coordination with States|U.Ts. on the activities of consumer protection, etc. Rights have also been conferred on the consumers and consumer organisations to file complaints in the court under the existing laws having bearing on consumers, such as Essential Commodities Act, 1955, Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, Standards of Weights and Measures Act etc. In addition, the Central Government has enacted a comprehensive legislation, namely, the Consumer Protection Act, 1986 which applies to all goods and services unless specifically exempted by the Central Government. The Act provides for setting up of a three tier quasi-judicial machinery at the national, state and district